# THE MERRY VVIVES OF VVINSOR.

## *Actus primus, Scena prima.*

*Enter Iuſtice Shallow, Slender, Sir Hugh Euans, Maſter Page, Falſtoffe, Bardolph, Nym, Piſtoll, Anne Page, Miſtreſſe Ford, Miſtreſſe Page, Simple.*

*Shallow.*

Sir *Hugh*, perſwade mee not: I will make a Star-Chamber matter of it, if he were twenty Sir *Iohn Falſtoffe*, hee ſhall not abuſe *Robert Shallow* Eſquire:

*Slen.* In the County of *Gloceſter*, Iuſtice of Peace and Coram.

*Shal.* I (Coſen *Slender*) and *Cuſt-alorum*.

*Slen.* I, and *Rotulorum* too; and a Gentleman borne (Maſter Parſon) who writes himſelfe *Armigero*, in any Bill, Warrant, Quittance, or Obligation, *Armigero*.

*Shal.* I that I doe, and haue done any time theſe three hundred yeeres.

*Slen.* All his ſucceſſors (gone before him) hath don't: and all his Anceſtors (that come after him) may: they may giue the dozen white Luces in their Coate.



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